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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Friday, 15 January 1954

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Messrs. Wisner, Amory, Colonel White,  
Messrs. Kirkpatrick, [redacted] Sheldon (part of Meeting), [redacted]  
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Mr. Dulles:

a. Asked [redacted] to have prepared, if practicable, comments on an enclosure to a letter he had received from Senator Knowland. (NOTE: In any event, this enclosure is to be returned to the Senator.)

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d. Asked [redacted] to authorize [redacted] to expend up to \$5,000 for intelligence purposes in his area, without prior approval of Headquarters. The Director made it clear this would not be a continuing authorization.

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[redacted], and noted this could not be done without policy guidance from State, and in any event should not be done until after 23 January. Both General Cabell and [redacted] expressed their opposition to any such project. After some further discussion the Director indicated that he personally wished to have the opportunity to consider this program before final action is taken.

f. Gave to [redacted] a memorandum from [redacted] respecting a certain individual who might be of use to CIA. The Director noted that apparently the Department of State was not considering utilization of this man. [redacted] was preparing comments on this case for the Director.

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Mr. Wisner:

Noted that a considerable amount of material had been received in the Agency as a result of [redacted] The Director expressed interest in seeing these reports and asked DD/I to first check them and determine whether they contained any information which might be of interest to NSC.

Mr. Amory:

a. Reported that Messrs. [redacted] who had been referred to CIA by [redacted] had been offered positions which they did not accept-[redacted] is going into private industry and [redacted] did not wish to make CIA a career.

b. Noted that OSI was giving a briefing at 2:30 p.m., Friday, 22 January, to the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Office of Defense Mobilization, and asked the Director if he would be willing to kick this off. The Director said he would. Mr. Amory undertook to furnish appropriate remarks to the Director for his use.

Colonel White:

a. Asked whether DD/P, DD/I, [redacted] and Matt Baird should be present during our initial budget discussions with Congressman Taber. After some discussion it was agreed that this would not be necessary.

b. Reported that the Bureau of the Budget was considering reducing weight allowances for those people assigned to overseas stations--such reduction to include the transportation of privately-owned vehicles. (NOTE: This amended legislation would cover all Government Agencies.)

c. Referred to the untimely death of [redacted] and urged those present to make certain that any of their people travelling abroad check out through Central Processing in order to ensure that they might be given the opportunity to take out additional available insurance. Colonel White said that while [redacted] did not follow this procedure, he had contacted him (White) direct prior to his departure and had taken advantage of acquiring more insurance.

Mr. Kirkpatrick:

a. Referred to the [redacted] case and stated an investigation indicated that both Security and OCD were at fault. Copies of this report were handed to DD/I and DD/A. Mr. Kirkpatrick also said that as a result of the [redacted] matter his staff was looking into the whole picture of handling mail within the Agency.

b. Reported there was a possibility that [redacted] might go to the McCarran Committee even though his accounts had been settled.

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